



# Congregation Zera Abraham

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*\* Please remember to repeat Krias Shema after tzeis. \**

## Friday Night Minyan

This Week: Parshas Bo, January 20<sup>th</sup>

Candlelighting: **4:47**

Mincha: **4:52**

Next Week: Parshas Beshalach, January 27<sup>th</sup>

Candlelighting: **4:55**

Mincha: **5:00**

## Mazel Tov

To Mr. Carl and Dr. Heidi Tessler upon the engagement of their daughter, Chaya, to Eli Berger of New Rochelle, NY. The Vort will take place this Sunday, January 21st from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at their home, 4945 E. 1st Ave., Denver. May they have much yiddische nachas!

## Boruch Dayan HaEmes

We express our condolences to R' Dov Ort upon the passing of his father, R' Zevulun Ort a"h. R' Dov will be returning to Denver to resume Shiva on Sunday afternoon (at approx. 4:30 pm) at his home, 1344 Vrain Street. Mincha/Maariv on Sunday will take place at 4:45 pm. Shachris on Monday will take place at 7:30. Shiva concludes on Monday morning. May R' Dov and his family be comforted among the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalaim.

## Happy Birthday

Our best wishes to Mr. Pinchus (Paul) Smith who turns 70 years of age this Sunday, 5 Shvat. In honor of this milestone, he requests of his friends to now refer to him by his Jewish name, Pinchus. May he enjoy many long, healthy and joyous years to come!

## THIS WEEK: Navi Shiur

This Sunday at 8:45 (Maariv at 8:30) the Navi Shiurim Series by R' Yoil Unger continue. With the start of Sefer Yehoshua and now in Sefer Shoftim, through careful examination of the text, R' Yoil expounds and explains the haftorah portions of the each sefer of Nach. This shiur is a remarkable opportunity for both men and women to obtain a keen and satisfying appreciation of the Nevi'im, and will allow the participants to experience the weekly haftoros with a sense of reference and context. For questions and additional information please inquire with R' Yoil Unger.

## Leil Shabbos Parsha Pilpul

The next Leil Shabbos Parsha Pilpul will take place on Shabbos Parshas Beshalach, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dovid Sauer, 1350 Vrain Street at 8:30 pm in conjunction with the Oneg Shabbos with Rav Avrohom Weinrib of Cincinnati. All men and bochorim are invited.

## Shovavim Shiurim for Men and for Women

This year's Shovavim Shiurim by the Rov for married men and women will take place Wednesday evenings at 8:45 pm during the weeks of Parshas Shemos through Parshas Mishpatim. The next shiur for women will take place this week, on Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> on the halachos of Preparing for Immersion.

## Banim U'Zkeirim – this Motzei Shabbos

The MB Glassman Foundation Avos U'Banim, presents our annual Banim U'Zkeirim learning and Melava Malka! Bring a guest to Avos U'Banim and be entered into a special raffle! This Motzei Shabbos, 6:45-7:30, at YTC. See flyer for all details.

## Classes for Women

Inviting all women to deepen their understanding of stories we've always known in 2 classes! Tribal Affair: Yosef, Yehuda and the Other Shevatim with Rabbi Fleisher from 10am-11am in the Hoffman home, 1582 Winona Ct. **Jan 21:** Tow Leaders, Two Visions: The Unique approaches of Yosef and Yehuda and their Conclusion

## Any Question, on Any Subject!

You can watch halacha come to life from the source. Ask any question and at the Shul Shalosh Seudos watch how a psak is formed from the gemora to modern day shalios. Submit your questions to RabbiSteinberg@zeraabraham.com and come be part of the sugya as your question is answered and discussed by all.

## Shul Giving

### Statements

Shul Giving Statements for 2017 for total annual donations in excess of \$250, will be emailed on Sunday, January 21 to those whose emails are on file with the Shul and hard copies will be sent to donors for whom we do not have email addresses. Watch your email for the notice "Your giving statement from Congregation Zera Abraham" and click on "View Your Giving Statement." Everyone

else please watch your mailboxes. Any questions or if you want a receipt for annual donations less than \$250 total please contact R' Feivel Gallard or R' Shlomo Kurtz. We encourage you to share your email address with the Shul so that Financial Information can be sent economically. Thank you for your generosity.

### Maavir Sedra Shiur

Rabbi Shachne Sommers will deliver a shiur on the subject of Shnayim Mikra v'Echad Targum this Motzoai Shabbos at 8:30 at the home of the Hoffmans, 1582 Winona Court. Discover, learn and be inspired.

### MB Glassman Youth Shalosh Seudos

**SHABBOS OF CHIZUK**  
with  
Rav Avrohom Weinrib  
Rov of Kahal Zichron Eliezer  
Cincinnati

1/27/18 שבת פרשת בשלח

**THE INCREDIBLE PEOPLE WE ARE...**

- ...AS A NATION**  
Oneg and Parsha Pilpul at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dovid and Esther Sauer 1350 Vrain Street  
at 8:00 pm
- ...AS AN INDIVIDUAL**  
Drasha  
after Mussaf
- ...AS PARENTS**  
Shabbos Shiur for Women at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Menachem and Tova Zussman 1467 Tennyson Street  
at 2:45 pm
- ...AS PARENTS**  
Shalosh Seudos Drasha for Men  
after Mincha
- ...AS COUPLES**  
Special Community-wide Melave Malka for Men and Women at the Shul  
at 8:15 pm

Join together for Inspiration and Insight with Rav Weinrib, a dynamic and information-rich presenter, Rav Weinrib is a תלמיד of HaRav Nissan Karelitz שליט"א and HaRav Nosson Tzvi Finkel זצ"ל. After joining the Chicago Community Kollel and then serving as Rov in Agudath Yisroel of West Rogers Park (Chicago), he currently serves and leads the Cincinnati community as Rov of Zichron Eliezer and Rabbinic Administrator of Cincinnati Kosher.

**Security Tip:** There is a registry of severe criminals that can be referred to see who has moved into our neighborhood. When this happens, homes in the area receive a notice in the mail. This has happened recently. We should always talk to our children to be aware of strangers and not walk alone, especially after dark. Report anything you feel suspicious about to the police and security committee.

The M.B. Glassman Youth Shalosh Seudos continues. Much thanks is expressed to all those who volunteered last year to supervise and have made this program possible. Please bear in mind that each father who has a boy who stays for Shalosh Seudos is asked to take a turn supervising. Much thanks is expressed to the M.B. Glassman Foundation and its officers for this wonderful program. This week Rabbi Yaakov Chaim Orloff will supervise.

### OWL Group

OWL will, IY"Y, have a pot luck lunch in honor of Rosh Chodesh Shevat on January 21, at 12:00 noon, at the home of Mrs. Naomi Erlanger, 1555 Vrain St. Mrs. Dobbie Rosskamm will share a moment of joy about winter's Brochos. Tanta Linda Pitter will entertain us with a charming story. If you will be bringing a food item, please list it in the email you will receive, to avoid duplication of items. When you reply, please REPLY TO ALL. If you do not have email, please call Esther Wershaw at 303-522-6402. Looking forward to seeing you.

### JE Wine and Cheese Event

The Jewish Experience invites the community to its annual Wine & Cheese Gala, An Evening in Black & White 2, celebrating Rabbi Ahron Y. Wasserman's 18th year of visionary leadership. Saturday evening, February 3 at 8:00 PM at The Studios at Overland Crossing. RSVP at TheJE.com/WC2018 or call 303-316-6412.

### Michtav M'Eliahu Chabura

Now, **each Sunday before Mincha**, there is a chabura learning the Sefer Michtav M'Eliahu by Harav Eliahu Dessler zt"l. Each week a specific topic of the Sefer is learned b'Chavrusa for 25 minutes, and followed by a 5-minute summary by the Rov. For information and chavrusos, please speak to the Rosh Chabura, R' Yisroel Yanez at 720-275-1014. Join this excellent and powerful chabura, an opportunity to glean from the timeless and provoking words of Rav Dessler and attain real development and growth in avodas Hashem.

### Shovavim Classes by Merkaz

Merkaz presents Shovavim Classes. Classes for men by Rabbi Tzvi Steinberg on January 30<sup>th</sup>, at 9:15 PM, at Merkaz. Classes for Women by Mrs. Rochel Goldbaum on January 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM, at the home of Mrs. Sarah Leah Golombek, 6751 E. Center Ave. See Flyer for exact topics and details.

### Board Elections

#### Shabbos Davening and Learning

Likras Shabbos .....	Rabbi Berkowitz .....	4:22
Candlelighting .....		4:47
Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos .....		4:52
Ateres .....	Seidenfeld home .....	4:50
Mishna Berura .....	Rav Steinberg .....	8:00
Shacharis .....		8:30
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....		9:08, 9:44
Bnos .....		2:00
Pirchei .....		3:30
Sefer HaChinuch .....	R' Hillel Erlanger .....	2:10-2:40
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoel Unger .....	2:40-3:40
Shiur- Maseches Pesachim .....	Rabbi Rosskamm .....	3:40-4:40
Shiur- Sugya Kiddush baMakom Seuda .....	Rav Steinberg .....	3:40-4:40
Mincha .....		4:40
Maariv .....		5:56
Tefilla Shiur .....	Rabbi Hoffman .....	after maariv
Avos U'Bonim (Z'Kainim U'Bonim) .....	at YTC .....	6:45

#### Weekday Davening

Shacharis Sunday .....	6:30
..... Monday and Thursday .....	6:10
..... Tues. Wed. and Friday .....	6:20
Mincha .... Sunday-Thursday .....	4:55 followed by shiur
1 <sup>st</sup> Maariv Sunday-Thursday .....	after Mincha
2 <sup>nd</sup> Maariv Sunday-Thursday .....	8:30
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoel Unger .....M-F .....5:20 am
..... R' Yanez & R' Joseph .....	M-F .....7:10 am
..... R' Yoel Unger .....	Sun .....7:20 am
Kinyan Masechta Kesubos...Rav Steinberg . M-Th .....	7:30-8:30 pm

Ballots for board elections should be in the mail by the end of January. To vote in the election, one must be a member in good standing, which means having current pledged membership dues for the current year. For any member who wishes to be placed on the slate for the upcoming election, nomination petitions must be presented to a member of the board with a minimum of 5 member signatures. If anyone is interested, please give your petition to any current board members. The board will consist of seven officers.

### Tomchei Shabbat of Denver Purim Card Campaign

Our annual Purim Card Campaign is officially underway! We are once again providing Purim letters to honor your friends and family. Beautiful full color 2018 Tomchei Shabbat Mishloach Manot Purim letters are available. 25 cards with envelopes are only \$36.00. An electronic version of the Purim Card is also available. 25 e-cards for \$25.00. Tomchei Shabbat will provide you with a beautiful PDF Purim Card, personalized with your own custom greeting and name that you will be able to email to your friends and family!

### Video

Girls video will be shown Motzai Shabbos, February 3 at the Bais Yaakov Dorm at 7:30. There is a cost per person.

### Hillel Academy Dinner

Hillel Academy's 66<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner will take place on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at BMH/BJ. Reception at 6 pm, dinner at 7pm. This year's honorees are Rabbi Moshe and Mrs. Yehudis Heyman, receiving the Keser Shem Tov award. For reservations and/or to place an ad, please visit [www.haad.org](http://www.haad.org) or call 303-333-1511.

### Parsha Delight and ספר מטעמי פרשה - אברהם

See the question below on the Parsha. Offer an acceptable answer to the Rov at the kiddush and receive a chocolate! Each week the answers for the previous week's Parsha Delight question will be printed in the newsletter. At the end of the year we will publish a compilation of the questions and answers. This program is for ages 5-105. Sponsored by East Side Kosher Deli.

### Kashrus Alert

Some Sprouts Market Corner breads bear a mislabeled Scroll K and are NOT kosher certified. Preprinted bags bearing the Scroll K symbol are kosher certified. Bags that are not printed with the Scroll K symbol on the plastic but have a label with the Scroll K symbol on them, are mislabeled and are NOT kosher certified. Corrective measures have been taken.

### Newsletter E-mail List and Contact Information

Please e-mail all contributions, mazel tovs, sponsorships, etc. to [zera.abraham@gmail.com](mailto:zera.abraham@gmail.com) no later than Wednesday evening. E-mail ensures that nothing will be left out or misspelled. All entries will run for one week unless otherwise specified. The Shul reserves the right to omit or amend any submissions. To be added to the e-mail distribution list, please send an e-mail requesting to be included.

**פרשת וארא - מטעמי פרשה - Parsha Delight Question**

וַיִּשְׂרַץ הַיָּרֵךְ צִפְרָדִיעִים וְעָלוּ וּבְיַתְדְךָ וּגְרִי  
 And the river shall swarm with frogs, and go up and come in your houses etc. Why is it important to know that the frog will come from the river? Isn't that generally where frogs come from? And would the מַכָּה be any different than if the frogs would have come from elsewhere?

**Last Week's Question:**  
 Hashem told Moshe Rabbeinu at the סִנֵּה, the burning bush, שֶׁל נַעֲלִיךְ, מעל רגליך, remove your shoes from your feet. Why was it necessary to add "from your feet", it is not obvious that when one removes his shoes it would be from off his feet?

**Answers Received:**

- Had the term "מעל רגליך" been omitted, then command could have been understood to keep the shoes away entirely from that place. Therefore it was clarified, just מעל רגליך, simply to remove them the feet.
- Through the term מעל רגליך, the intent was thusly clarified that this was in order that the feet be exposed. The העמק דבר explains that the shoes on the feet are a symbol of the גּוֹף over the נַשְׁמָה. Hashem was communicating to Moshe Rabbeinu that from this point on he would be as a נַשְׁמָה without a גּוֹף.

Kinyan Masechta Review .....	Rav Steinberg . Sun .....	9:00 am
Chabura Michtav M'Eliahu .R' Y. Yanez .....	Sun .....	6:20 pm
Night Seder .....	Sun-Thurs .....	7:30 pm
Partners in Torah .....	Tues .....	7:30 pm